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For: MONOCLONAL ANTIBODIES AGAINST THE INTERFERON RECEPTOR, WITH

NEUTRALIZING ACTIVITY AGAINST TYPE 1 INTERFERON

CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA) REQUEST TRANSMITTAL

Commissioner for Patents Box CPA Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a request under 37 C.F.R. \S 1.53(d), Continued Prosecution Application (CPA), for a:

[X] Continuation

[] Divisional

application of the above-identified prior nonprovisional application of:

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in which no payment of issue fee, abandonment, or termination of proceedings has occurred. Priority to the above-identified prior application is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120 for this CPA.

Enclosed are:

[X] Petition for Extension of Time (3 months).

[] Small Entity statement.

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| [] | Information Disclosure Statement. | RECEIVED | |
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| [] reference(s). | Form PTO-1449 with copies of | 301, 2 6 2001 | |
| | Application Data Sheet (37 CFR 1.76). | TECH CENTER 1600/290 | |

The filing fee is calculated below:

| | Claims As Amended | | Previously Paid For | | Extra Claims | | Rate | | Fee Totals |
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| Basic Fee | | | | | | | \$710.00 | | \$710.00 |
| Total Claims: | 0 | - | 5 | = | 0 | x | \$18.00 | = | \$0.00 |
| Independents: | 0 | - ' | 2 | = | 0 | x | \$80.00 | = | \$0.00 |
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- [] Applicant requests suspension of action under 37 CFR 1.103(b) (fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) enclosed).
- [X] A check in the amount of \$1,600.00 to cover the filing and Petition fees is enclosed.
- [] The required filing fees are not enclosed but will be submitted in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

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